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In response to the final Office Action mailed July 27, 2001, please reconsider the application in light of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Applicant has carefully reviewed and considered the Office Action mailed on July 27, 2001, and the references cited therewith.

Claims 4-15 remain pending in this application.

Applicant traverses the rejections. A *prima facie* case of obviousness has not been established. Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections, because the combinations of references do not teach or suggest all the elements of claims 4-15 and because there is no motivation or suggestion to combine.

Claims 4-6 and 8-15 are Patentable under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 4-6 and 8-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ohashi (U.S. Patent No. 5,581,783) in view of Applicant's Admitted Prior Art.

No claims are admitted as prior art in the background section

Applicant requests reconsideration of the background section of the application, because what is described there is different from what is claimed. The background section specifically states "there is a need in the art for a mobile personal computing device which allows a user to enter information using both a touch screen and voice commands." (Applicant's Specification,